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CAIRO MENA IN ARABIC 1029 GMT 22 AUG 75 JN

(EMBARGOED UNTIL 1115 GMT TODAY)

(TEXT) DAMASCUS, 22 AUGUST--A SUPREME POLITICAL COMMAND HAS BEEN FORMED BETWEEN SYRIA AND JORDAN HEADED BY SYRIAN PRESIDENT HAFIZ AL-ASAD AND KING HUSAYN OF JORDAN.

THIS CAME IN THE JOINT STATEMENT ISSUED TODAY ON KING HUSAYN'S VISIT TO SYRIA.

THE STATEMENT SAYS THAT THE SUPREME POLITICAL COMMAND COUNCIL WILL ISSUE DECISIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY THE SUPREME MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE.

(MORE)

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JOINT SYRIAN-JORDANIAN STATEMENT

JN221157 FOR YOUR INFORMATION

AMMAN AND DAMASCUS RADIOS IN ARABIC AT 1112 GMT CN 22 AUGUST
HOOK UP TO RELAY THE NEWS AND THE JOINT STATEMENT ISSUED ON
KING HUSAYN'S VISIT TO SYRIA. AT 1115 GMT THE TWO RADIOS
BEGIN CARRYING THE NEWS. AT 1122 GMT THE TWO RADIOS BEGIN
CARRYING THE TEXT OF THE 11-MINUTE JOINT STATEMENT, ISSUED
SIMULTANEOUSLY IN DAMASCUS AND AMMAN. AMONG OTHER THINGS
THE STATEMENT SAYS: "AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED ON THE FOLLOWING:

"1. THE FORMATION OF A SUPREME POLITICAL COMMAND COMPOSED
OF HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT HAFIZ AL-ASAD, PRESIDENT OF THE
SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC, AND HIS MAJESTY KING HUSAYN IBN TALAL,
KING OF THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN, TO BE CALLED THE SUPREME
SYRIAN-JORDANIAN COMMAND COUNCIL.

"2. THE SUPREME COMMAND COUNCIL SHALL ISSUE DECISIONS,
INSTRUCTIONS AND DIRECTIVES ON RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROPOSALS
REFERRED TO IT BY THE SUPREME MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE.

"3. THE SUPREME COMMAND SHALL ISSUE DECISIONS,
INSTRUCTIONS AND DIRECTIVES ON ALL MATTERS AND
QUESTIONS THAT IT WILL DISCUSS, PARTICULARLY REGARDING THE FOLLOWING:

"A. THE APPROVAL OF THE COORDINATION OF THE POLICY OF THE TWO
COUNTRIES IN THE VARIOUS ARAB AND INTERNATIONAL FIELDS, THE
UNIFICATION OF THEIR STANDS REGARDING ALL ISSUES UNDER DISCUSSION, AND
THE APPROVAL OF THE COORDINATION PLANS IN ORDER TO REACH
A UNIFIED FOREIGN POLICY FOR THE TWO COUNTRIES;

"B. DISCUSSION OF THE ISSUES OF PEACE AND WAR AND PREPARING THE
JOINT AND COORDINATED DECISIONS AND STANDS REGARDING THEM;

"C. APPROVAL OF THE PLANS OF COORDINATION AND INTEGRATION BETWEEN
THE TWO ARMED FORCES IN THE TWO COUNTRIES;

"D. DRAWING UP THE BASES AND TAKING THE JOINT NECESSARY MEASURES
TO PROTECT THE DOMESTIC AND NATIONAL SECURITY OF THE TWO COUNTRIES
AND TO PROTECT RELATIONS BETWEEN THEM;

"E. APPROVAL OF THE ECONOMIC POLICY INTENDED TO ACHIEVE INTEGRATION AND UNITY BETWEEN THE ECONOMIES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES THROUGH COORDINATION OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT ECONOMIC COMPANIES AND ESTABLISHMENTS AS WELL AS THE UNIFICATION OF THE MARKETS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES AND APPROVAL OF A UNIFIED CUSTOMS POLICY;

"F. APPROVAL OF AN EDUCATIONAL POLICY INTENDED TO DEEPEN NATIONAL FEELINGS AND TO RAISE THE STANDARDS OF EDUCATION IN A MANNER THAT WILL LEAD TO THE ACHIEVEMENT OF AN EDUCATIONAL RENAISSANCE SERVING THE GOALS OF THE ARAB NATION IN BUILDING AN ADVANCED SOCIETY;

"G. APPROVAL OF THE POLICY OF COORDINATION AND INTEGRATION IN THE INFORMATION FIELD IN THE MANNER THAT SERVES THE GOALS OF THE ARAB NATION;

"4. THE SUPREME COMMAND COUNCIL WILL MEET ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS OR ANY TIME IT IS DEEMED NECESSARY.

"5. COORDINATION AND COOPERATION AMONG THE VOCATIONAL AND POPULAR ORGANIZATIONS IN THE TWO COUNTRIES, SUCH AS THE WOMEN, WORKERS, STUDENTS, YOUTH AND TRADE UNION ORGANIZATIONS WILL BE EFFECTED."

THE TWO RADIOS END THEIR HOOKUP AT 1140 GMT.

FURTHER DETAILS AS AVAILABLE.

22 AUG 1326Z RLL/MC*****

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ONLY ADD 33 (SYRIAN-JORDANIAN STATEMENT)

XXX FOR ITS OBJECTIVES.

(TEXT) IN THE FIELD OF BILATERAL RELATIONS: PROCEEDING FROM THE UNITY OF FATE AND GOAL, OUT OF THE BELIEF IN STEADFASTNESS TO COPE WITH THE CHALLENGE REPRESENTED BY THE DECISIVE AND FATEFUL STRUGGLE WHICH THE ARAB NATION IS WAGING IN DEFENSE OF ITS LAND, HONOR, EXISTENCE, SECURITY AND FUTURE AGAINST ALL THE FORCES OF IMPERIALIST DOMINATION AND RACIST ZIONISM;

PROCEEDING FROM A FACT MANIFESTED BY ARAB HISTORY, NAMELY THAT THE UNITY OF THE HOMELAND AND THE CAPABILITIES IT PROVIDES AND THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND MILITARY RESOURCES IT MAKES AVAILABLE ARE THE DECISIVE REPLY TO THE IMPERIALIST AND ZIONIST CHALLENGES AND ARE THE MEANS TO REGAIN DIGNITY, TO LIBERATE THE LAND, AND TO RETRIEVE OUR RIGHTS; OUT OF THE DESIRE TO ACHIEVE THE DESIRED NATIONAL GOALS; OUT OF THE DESIRE TO FULFILL THE ASPIRATIONS OF THE ONE PEOPLE IN THE TWO FRATERNAL COUNTRIES; OUT OF THE DESIRE TO APPLY THE NATIONAL POLICY DRAWN UP BY THE TWO LEADERS-- HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT HAFIZ AL-ASAD AND HIS MAJESTY KING HUSAYN IBN TALAL--; OUT OF THE BELIEF BY THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THEIR INEVITABLE UNITY AND THE NEED TO WORK TO RESTORE THE SITUATION TO WHAT IT WAS BEFORE THE DIVISIONS EFFECTED BY FOREIGN IMPERIALISM; OUT OF ALL THIS, AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED ON THE FOLLOWING:

1. THE FORMATION OF A SUPREME POLITICAL COMMAND COMPOSED OF HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT HAFIZ AL-ASAD, PRESIDENT OF THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC, AND HIS MAJESTY KING HUSAYN IBN TALAL, KING OF THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN, TO BE CALLED THE SUPREME SYRIAN-JORDANIAN COMMAND COUNCIL.

2. THE SUPREME COMMAND COUNCIL SHALL ISSUE DECISIONS, INSTRUCTIONS AND DIRECTIVES ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROPOSALS REFERRED TO IT BY THE SUPREME MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE.

3. THE SUPREME COMMAND COUNCIL SHALL ISSUE DECISIONS, INSTRUCTIONS AND DIRECTIVES ON ALL MATTERS AND QUESTIONS THAT IT WILL DISCUSS, PARTICULARLY REGARDING THE FOLLOWING:

- A. THE APPROVAL OF THE COORDINATION OF THE POLICY OF THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THE VARIOUS ARAB AND INTERNATIONAL FIELDS, THE UNIFICATION OF THEIR STANDS REGARDING ALL ISSUES UNDER DISCUSSION AND THE APPROVAL OF THE COORDINATION PLANS IN ORDER TO REACH A UNIFIED FOREIGN POLICY FOR THE TWO COUNTRIES;

B. DISCUSSION OF THE ISSUES OF PEACE AND WAR AND MAKING THE JOINT AND COORDINATED DECISIONS AND STANDS REGARDING THEM;

C. APPROVAL OF THE PLANS OF COORDINATION AND INTEGRATION BETWEEN THE TWO ARMED FORCES IN THE TWO COUNTRIES;

D. DRAWING UP THE BASES AND TAKING THE NECESSARY JOINT MEASURES TO PROTECT THE DOMESTIC AND NATIONAL SECURITY OF THE TWO COUNTRIES AND TO PROTECT RELATIONS BETWEEN THEM;

E. APPROVAL OF THE ECONOMIC POLICY INTENDED TO ACHIEVE INTEGRATION AND UNITY BETWEEN THE ECONOMIES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES THROUGH COORDINATION OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL-DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT ECONOMIC COMPANIES AND ESTABLISHMENTS AS WELL AS THE UNIFICATION OF THE MARKETS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES AND APPROVAL OF A UNIFIED CUSTOMS POLICY.

F. APPROVAL OF AN EDUCATIONAL POLICY INTENDED TO DEEPEN NATIONAL FEELINGS AND TO RAISE THE STANDARDS OF EDUCATION IN A MANNER THAT WILL LEAD TO THE ACHIEVEMENT OF AN EDUCATIONAL RENAISSANCE SERVING THE GOALS OF THE ARAB NATION IN BUILDING AN ADVANCED SOCIETY;

G. APPROVAL OF THE POLICY OF COORDINATION AND INTEGRATION IN THE INFORMATION FIELD IN THE MANNER THAT SERVES THE GOALS OF THE ARAB NATION;

4. THE SUPREME COMMAND COUNCIL SHALL MEET ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS OR ANY TIME IT IS DEEMED NECESSARY.

5. COORDINATION AMONG THE VOCATIONAL AND POPULAR ORGANIZATIONS IN THE TWO COUNTRIES DEALING WITH SUCH TOPICS AS WOMEN, WORKERS, STUDENTS, YOUTH AND TRADE UNION ORGANIZATIONS SHALL BE EFFECTED.

HIS MAJESTY KING HUSAYN IBN TALAL EXPRESSED HIS EXTREME THANKS FOR THE WARM WELCOME AND RECEPTION ACCORDED HIM DURING HIS VISIT TO THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC AND WISHED ALL PROGRESS AND PROSPERITY FOR THE FRATERNAL SYRIAN ARAB PEOPLE AND HEALTH AND HAPPINESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT HAFIZ AL-ASAD.

HIS MAJESTY KING HUSAYN EXTENDED AN INVITATION TO HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT HAFIZ AL-ASAD TO VISIT THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN. PRESIDENT AL-ASAD ACCEPTED THE INVITATION WITH THANKS AND APPRECIATION.

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22 AUG 1546Z RLL/SAJ

SYRIAN-JORDANIAN JOINT STATEMENT ISSUED

JN221300 DAMASCUS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIV 1122 GMT 22 AUG 75 JN

(SYRIAN-JORDANIAN JOINT STATEMENT RELEASED ON 11 AUGUST IN DAMASCUS AND AMMAN ON THE VISIT OF JORDAN KING HUSAYN TO SYRIA--READ BY SYRIAN ANNOUNCER IN JOINT HOOKUP WITH AMMAN RADIO)

(TEXT) IN REPLY TO THE INVITATION EXTENDED BY HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT HAFIZ AL-ASAD, PRESIDENT OF THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC, HIS MAJESTY KING HUSAYN IBN TALAL, MONARCH OF THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN, MADE A VISIT TO THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC BETWEEN 18-22 AUGUST 1975. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY PREMIER, FOREIGN AND DEFENSE MINISTER ZAYD AR-RIFAI; HIS EXCELLENCY MUDAR BADRAN, CHIEF OF THE ROYAL HASHEMITE COURT; HIS EXCELLENCY SALAH ABU ZAYD, MINISTER OF CULTURE AND INFORMATION; HIS EXCELLENCY SALIM MASADAH, MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ACTING MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND TRADE; STAFF LT GEN SHARIF ZAYD IBN SHAKIR, CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ARMED FORCES; STAFF MAJ GEN AWWAD AL-KHALIDI, HIS MAJESTY'S MILITARY ADVISER; AND YANAL UMAR, CHIEF OF ROYAL PROTOCOL.

HIS MAJESTY THE GREAT GUEST AND THE DELEGATION ACCOMPANYING HIS MAJESTY WERE ACCORDED A WARM POPULAR AND OFFICIAL WELCOME, IN WHICH SENIOR OFFICIALS OF THE STATE AND ARMED FORCES AND THE MASSES OF THE PEOPLE PARTICIPATED. THEY WERE EXPRESSING THE RESPECT HARBORED BY THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC FOR THE GREAT GUEST AND THE LOVE AND APPRECIATION FOR THE FRATERNAL JORDANIAN PEOPLE, PROMPTED BY THE FRATERNAL BONDS EXISTING BETWEEN THE TWO FRATERNAL COUNTRIES THAT REFLECT THE UNITY OF THEIR HISTORY, MARCH AND OBJECTIVE.

DURING HIS MAJESTY THE KING'S STAY IN THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC, HIS MAJESTY AND THE DELEGATION ACCOMPANYING HIM VISITED THE LIBERATED CITY OF AL-QUNAYTIRAH AND SAW THE EXTENT OF THE EFFECTS OF THE ZIONIST ENEMY'S SAVAGERY AND MALICE. HIS MAJESTY AND THE DELEGATION ACCOMPANYING HIM ALSO VISITED LATAKIA PROVINCE AND A NUMBER OF INDUSTRIAL, HISTORIC AND TOURIST SITES. THEY ACQUAINTED THEMSELVES WITH A NUMBER OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC.

DURING THE VISIT, OFFICIAL TALKS WERE HELD BETWEEN HIS MAJESTY KING HUSAYN AND HIS BROTHER HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT HAFIZ AL-ASAD. THE TALKS WERE PERVADED WITH AN ATMOSPHERE OF BROTHERHOOD, TOTALLY RECIPROCATED TRUST, TOTAL DETERMINATION ON THE JOINT ARAB INTEREST AND BELIEF IN THE UNITY OF DESTINY AS A REFLECTION OF THE NOBLE ARAB BONDS EXISTING BETWEEN THE TWO FRATERNAL COUNTRIES. THE TALKS ALSO LED TO TOTAL AGREEMENT IN VIEWPOINTS REGARDING ALL ISSUES DISCUSSED. ON THE SYRIAN SIDE, THE TALKS WERE ATTENDED BY PRIME MINISTER MUHMUD AL-AYYUBI; DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER ABD AL-HALIM KHADDAM; INFORMATION MINISTER AHMAD ISKANDAR AHMAD; FINANCE MINISTER MUHAMMAD SHARIF; AND CHIEF OF STAFF MAJ GEN HIKMAT ASH-SHIHABI.

ON THE JORDANIAN SIDE, THE TALKS WERE ATTENDED BY PREMIER, FOREIGN AND DEFENSE MINISTER ZAYD AR-RIFAI; HIS EXCELLENCY MUDAR BADRAN, CHIEF OF THE ROYAL HASHEMITE COURT; SALAH ABU ZAYD, CULTURE AND INFORMATION MINISTER; SALIM HASAIDAH, FINANCE M. No Objection To Declassification 2009/08/31 : LOC-HAK-267-1-13-0

IN THE ARAB FIELD, THE TWO GREAT LEADERS STUDIED THE SITUATION IN THE ARAB HOMELAND. THEY WERE IN TOTAL AGREEMENT REGARDING THE NEED TO SEEK TO ENTRENCH ARAB SOLIDARITY THAT WAS MANIFESTED IN THE OCTOBER WAR OF LIBERATION AND ON WHICH THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE RABAT AND ALGEIRS SUMMIT CONFERENCES WERE BASED. THEY AFFIRMED THE IMPORTANCE OF CONTINUING WORK TO IMPLEMENT THESE RESOLUTIONS IN THE VARIOUS FIELDS. THE TWO LEADERS STRESSED THE GREAT IMPORTANCE OF WORK TO OVERCOME PERIPHERAL MATTERS AND THE NEED TO REMOVE THESE FROM THE MAIN BATTLE FRONT. THEY HIGHLIGHTED THE SPECIAL IMPORTANCE OF MOBILIZING THE RESOURCES OF THE ARAB NATION AND THROWING THESE RESOURCES IN THE BATTLE AGAINST THE ZIONIST ENEMY, IN THEIR BELIEF THAT BUILDING THE MILITARY POWER OF THE ARAB NATION IN GENERAL AND THAT OF THE FRONTLINE FORCES IN PARTICULAR IS THE SURE GUARANTEE TO ACHIEVE VICTORY, REGAIN THE FIGHTS AND TOTAL LIBERATION OF THE LAND, PROCEEDING FROM A FACT AFFIRMED BY THE DEVELOPMENT OF EVENTS, NAMELY THAT THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR MILITARY POWER AND PREPAREDNESS TO CONFRONT ENEMY INTRANSIGENCE AND MANEUVERING.

ON THE SITUATION IN THE AREA, AND AFTER ASSESSING THE SITUATION IN THE AREA AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH IT IS PASSING THROUGH, THE TWO LEADERS AFFIRMED THAT THE ZIONIST ENEMY'S MANEUVERS REGARDING COMPREHENSIVE WITHDRAWAL FROM THE OCCUPIED ARAB LANDS AND HIS REFUSAL TO RECOGNIZE THE NATIONAL RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE MAKE THIS SITUATION MORE EXPLOSIVE. THEY AFFIRMED THEIR CONVICTION THAT PEACE IS LINKED TO THE FOLLOWING TWO PRINCIPLES:

1. COMPREHENSIVE WITHDRAWAL FROM ALL THE OCCUPIED ARAB LANDS;
2. RECOGNITION OF THE NATIONAL RIGHTS OF THE PEOPLE OF PALESTINE.

ANY ATTEMPT BY THE ENEMY TO ESCAPE FROM THESE TWO FACTS THROUGH ATTEMPTS TO PARTITION THE SITUATION ALONG THE CONFRONTATION LINES--THUS DIVIDING THE ISSUE IN ORDER TO SUBMERGE THE MAIN ISSUE, NAMELY THE PALESTINIAN CAUSE--WILL MAKE THE SITUATION MORE SERIOUS. THE VIEWPOINTS OF THE TWO ARAB LEADERS WERE IN AGREEMENT REGARDING THE NEED TO WORK WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE UNITY OF THE ISSUE. THIS ESSENTIALLY REQUIRES THE REALIZATION OF MORE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND THE REST OF THE ARAB COUNTRIES AND BACKING THE PLO SO THAT IT CAN SHOULDER ITS NATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY, BECAUSE THE TWO LEADERS ARE CONVINCED OF THE IMPORTANCE OF MAKING THE PALESTINIAN PERSONALITY EMERGE. THIS CONVICTION WAS AFFIRMED BY THE TWO LEADERS AT THE RABAT SUMMIT CONFERENCE.

IN THE INTERNATIONAL FIELD, THE TWO LEADERS REVIEWED INTERNATIONAL ISSUES AND AFFIRMED THEIR BELIEF IN THE RIGHT OF ALL PEOPLES TO FREEDOM, INDEPENDENCE AND PROGRESS. THEY AGREED TO CONTINUE EFFORTS TO SUPPORT AND BACK THE ISSUES OF THE FRIENDLY PEOPLES, PARTICULARLY THE PEOPLE OF THE THIRD WORLD, SUPPORT AND DEVELOP ARAB-AFRICAN COOPERATION, STRENGTHEN THE NONALIGNED FRONT AND ESTABLISH INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS THAT WILL SERVE THE CAUSE OF THE ARAB STRUGGLE FOR ITS OBJECTIVES.

(MORE)